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## Grand Teton National Park News Release

### GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK ROAD PROJECTS UNDERWAY FOR 2002

Highway improvement work has begun in Grand Teton National Park. Road construction projects for 2002 involve highway 26/287 from the park's east boundary through Moran Junction and west to Jackson Lake Lodge, and highway 26/89/191 from Moran Junction south to Spread Creek Bridge. Stoplights are in place to facilitate one-lane traffic from the Buffalo Fork Bridge, south of Moran Junction, for approximately one mile. The stoplights are in operation 24-hours a day, 7-days a week. Motorists should expect minimal delays of 5 to 10 minutes at the lights. A road construction information line is available by dialing 307/739-3614. The recorded information will be updated frequently during April and May and updated daily during the summer months as road work progresses.

Once culvert replacement work near Buffalo Fork Bridge is completed, roadwork will begin at Pacific Creek Bridge, one mile northwest of the Moran Entrance Station. Stoplights, operating 24-hours a day, 7-days a week, will facilitate one-lane traffic at this location and once again minimal delays of 5 to 10 minutes can be expected at the lights.

Road construction activities will continue near the Moran Entrance Station throughout the summer. Work on the retaining wall along Highway 26/287 near the park's eastern boundary will begin in early June. Minimal traffic delays are expected at both of these construction sites.

Finish paving on park highways will begin in August. For the duration of the summer, heavy trucks will haul riprap material over Togwotee Pass through the park's east boundary to reach the Spread Creek pit.

Hours for road construction work are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout May and 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday from early June through Labor Day. Work will cease during most weekends and all holidays.

Superintendent Steve Martin asks local residents and park visitors to use caution and please watch out for workers and equipment when traveling through the project zones. Superintendent Martin reminds everyone that roadwork is necessary for the park to maintain safe and good quality roads for the millions who travel them each year. He requests that travelers be patient and take the opportunity to enjoy park vistas while waiting in any construction delays. Every effort will be made to minimize the inconvenience of these projects to those people traveling through the work zones.

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